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Correspondence: Mrs. John P. Varnum  
(Josephine L. Dyer "Josie"), 1871 - 1888

John P. Varnum Family Papers

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**Letter: Mrs. Josephine L. Dyer Varnum to Mamsie, February 08,  
1885**

Josephine L. Dyer Varnum

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Jacksonville

Feb. 8<sup>th</sup> 1885

Dear Mamie

We have had painting going on here for a week past and I have been nearly well. Thursday I went out to the Fair for an hour or two. We have had a lovely week for the fair all though not one bad day.

The children are all pretty well and I am not sick but I'm bilious and feel mean and miserable. I am going to take some pills tonight for I have got to get up spruce enough to do some sewing before the warm weather



sets in I have been over  
once & get Mrs Wells to

help me but haven't found  
her at home either time -

I have missed Harriet's letter  
this week. I suppose of course  
she hasn't much time - I hope  
you are getting along nicely  
though you must find it  
very tedious at the best - I  
do wish I was near enough to  
come in and see you now and  
then - I had a nice long letter  
from Aunt E. last week I shall  
try to answer it in a day or two  
Eddie is learning to talk every day  
she has gone to walk now  
with Papa and Archie - When  
I ask her how much she loves  
me she says "Tato or teeze"  
which means "more than cats"

love cheese" when she hears  
the door open she says "Papa  
time" if it doesn't prove to be  
Papa she says "Papa done - hat  
down town". Archie got 100 in  
Geog & Reading last month I  
don't know what his other studies  
were.

With much love to all  
Josie